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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MICHAEL VALLIERES, Derivatively on  
Behalf of AFFIRM HOLDINGS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

MAX LEVCHIN, et al.,

Defendants,

-and-

AFFIRM HOLDINGS, INC.,

Nominal Defendant.

CASE NO. 3:22-cv-02507-VC

~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER GRANTING  
ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO RELATE  
CASES

*[Civil L.R. 3-12, 7-11]*

Judge Vince Chhabria  
Courtroom 4, 17th Floor

CASE NO. 4:22-cv-05300-JD

~~PROPOSED~~ CASE TO BE RELATED

Judge James Donato  
Courtroom 11, 19th Floor

~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

On October 4, 2022 Defendants in the above-captioned matter filed an Administrative Motion to Consider Whether Cases Should Be Related pursuant to Civil Local Rule 3-12 in the above-captioned action. Defendants moved the Court to determine that *Williams v. Levchin, et al.*, Case No. 3:22-cv-05300-JD is related to *Vallieres v. Levchin*, Case No. 3:22-cv-02507-VC (N.D. Cal.), which is pending before this Court.

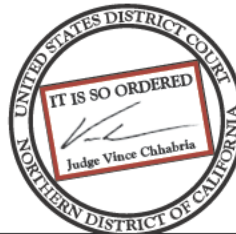
Under Civil Local Rule 3-12(a), “[a]n action is related to another when: (1) [t]he actions concern substantially the same parties, property, transaction or event; and (2) [i]t appears likely that there will be an unduly burdensome duplication of labor and expense or conflicting results if the cases are conducted before different Judges.”

Having reviewed the papers in both *Williams* and *Vallieres*, the Court finds that the two actions are “related” as defined in Civil Local Rule 3-12(a) and **ORDERS** that they be deemed “related.”

The Clerk shall reassign the *Williams* action to this Court and shall notify the parties and the Honorable Kandis A. Westmore accordingly. *See* Civil L.R. 3-12(f)(3). The Parties are instructed that all future filings in the reassigned case are to bear the initials “VC.” Under Civil Local Rule 3-12(g), any dates for hearing noticed motions in *Williams* are vacated and must be renoticed by the moving party before the newly assigned judge; any deadlines set by the ADR Local Rules remain in effect; and the case management conference will be rescheduled by the newly assigned judge, and the parties shall adjust the dates for the conference, disclosures and report required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 16 and 26 accordingly.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

DATED: October 18, 2022



Honorable Vince Chhabria  
United States District Judge